

"AFTER WE ATE THE WAR BREAD THE PROFITEERS WON'T EVEN LEAVE US A CRUMB OF COMFORT," SAYS SWAMPOODLE SAMUEL

Opposition Shows Head Against
Increasing Length of Series

The Times' Complete Sport Page

War Risk Takes Lead in Scum
For Title Honor and Times' Top

STORM RAGES OVER SCHEME FOR 9 GAMES

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—The recommendation of the National Commission for increasing the number of games in the world's series this year has aroused a storm of comment in baseball circles today.

Arguments for and against the plan to extend the series to nine games are being advanced on every side by baseball players, managers, and critics.

With the National Commission in favor of the change, however, and the support of but five clubs in each league needed to put it into effect, it has at least an even chance of going over. The major leagues have eight days in which to vote on the question.

The opposition of Charlie Comiskey to the plan has encouraged those who are unfavorable to it to speak up, for with the White Sox standing out as prospective pennant winners in their league, Comiskey would profit should the series be lengthened.

Col. T. L. Huston, of the Yankees, has sounded the keynote of the opposition. It is the old cry of "commercialism." Huston is against the plan, and is supporting Comiskey.

Manager McGraw and President Stoneham, of the Giants, are doubtful that a change in the world's series would make for the good of the game, and Manager Huggins, of the Yankees, says that seven games are enough.

Colonel Ebbets, president of the Dodgers, believes a nine-game series would be popular with the fans. Meanwhile baseball critics here are rejoicing that the National Commission promptly squashed suggestions for extending the series in the past, invariably stating that charges of commercialism would be heaped on every hand. The question will be definitely settled on September 13, when the commission holds its next meeting.

BAN WILL ANSWER REFEREE QUERIES

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—San Johnson, president of the American League, was scheduled to undergo an examination in the Mays case controversy here today before George J. Gillespie, referee of the hearing preliminary to action in Federal court tomorrow. Johnson, it is said, will be asked regarding his alleged financial interests in the Cleveland club, his alleged animosity toward certain club owners, and his alleged partisan action in suspending Carl Mays.

RECRUITS REPORT FOR FALL TRIALS

Manager Griffith, hopping back from Philadelphia, showed up at Georgia avenue today to look over some of his recruit players. He will begin morning practice games tomorrow, to continue to the close of the season, hoping to start his youngsters on the road to big league fame. Snyder and Fisher, six-foot twirlers from the Goodrich & Goodyear Rubber Company teams, respectively, and Shortstop Lindsey, also from the Toledo Rubber League, were on hand for a session with Manager Griffith. Lindsey is about the size of Eddie Foster.

Shortstop Slifer, from an independent team in Charleston, W. Va.; Pitcher Golden and First Baseman Kuller, both from Boston semi-pro teams, are due today or tomorrow.

Claude Davidson, who was with the Mackmen a while last year, played yesterday for the Griffs in Philadelphia. With Ellerbe and Harris, who are also with the team, this bunch of rookies will be put through stunts every day.

REX FOOTBALL PLAYERS GATHER TO TALK PLANS

Rex Athletic Club football players meet tomorrow night at the residence of James E. Wright, 830 Twelfth street northeast, to talk over plans for the season. Johnny Bleier, formerly connected with the famous Engineer's eleven, has called the meeting and will lead the team this season.

All players who are interested in the Rex team and wish to try out will be welcomed. Out of town players now residing in the city are to attend the meeting which will be called at 8:30 p. m.

DREAMTALKERS READY.
The Dreamtalkers, of Alexandria, Va., headed by Ernie Miller, a former Vigilant A. C. guard, will be ready for football games during the fall following the recent organization of the club.

SCOUTS ARE GLOOMY.
Big league scouts are decidedly gloomy over the prospects for 1920. They say the only good minor league players are veterans from the big show.

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SUBURBAN LEAGUE PLAYERS WINNING

For the first time in the history of tennis in the District of Columbia, the Suburban League racqueters have a chance to land premier honors. During the past five years the community players have been knocking at the threshold against the determined stand of the club element here composed of Columbia, Chevy Chase and Dumbarton Club players.

In a championship play for the District title in the final round S. J. Stellwagen, of the Euclid Club, winners of the Suburban League pennant, is opposing John Temple Graves, Jr., and those who are on the inside are picking the Euclid man to land. He has lost but one engagement this season in singles and that was in the early part of the year.

Owing to an injured wrist Graves has been playing in and out tennis. Several times during his flight to the final which will be staged today at Dumbarton, he has been carried three sets and has come with him two points of being eliminated. Stellwagen, on the other hand, has come through with decisive wins.

The doubles finals for the District title are in the hands of the Suburban League players. Stellwagen and Ballenger, Euclid's ranking pair, are opposing Clisell and Selden, junior champions of 1918, while Dudley and Hixson, two more Euclid men, will oppose Dowd and Hownstein, the Racquet Club stars.

Captain Hugh Miller carried J. T. Graves, Jr. three sets before he lost yesterday. The match went at 2-6, 6-3, 6-3, while Stellwagen defeated Howard Clisell 6-3, 6-4 in the semi-final round yesterday.

In doubles Dudley and Hixson defeated Jones and Gillen by 6-4, 6-2. Dowd and Hownstein defeated Benton and Price, the junior doubles titleholders of 1918, by 2-6, 12-10 and 6-4, both teams being from the Racquet Club. Stellwagen and Ballenger defeated Smoot and Sullivan, the youthful Montrose Park lads by 6-0, 6-2.

SAYS BECKETT IS FIRST FOR CLASH

LONDON, Sept. 4.—Reports that Jack Dempsey had already signed to meet the French champion, Georges Carpentier, got a rise here today from Promoter Cochran, who put on the recent Beckett-McGorty bout.

Cochran claims he has the French boxer's name to a contract for a battle with Beckett, the British champion on two months' notice. He also said that Manager Deschamps had posted a thousand pounds forfeit and made himself liable to heavy damages if his French scrapper met Dempsey before Beckett.

A letter from Jack Kearns stated he was seriously considering the offer to fight in London, Cochran said. He quoted Kearns as saying "I repeat that Jack Dempsey is willing to fight the winner of the Carpentier-Beckett fight."

ATLANTA WINS FLAG.
NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 4.—By winning the second night game of the series here from the Pelicans yesterday, Atlanta has clinched its victory in the Southern Association pennant race for 1919. The season ends next Sunday and Atlanta has a lead of seven and a half games.

"PANTS" GETS ENOUGH.
MILWAUKEE, Sept. 4.—"Pants" Rowland, manager of the Chicago World's champions of 1917, will not manage the Brewers next year. He says he has got enough, his team being a hopeless tailender.

PARK LANE WINS IT.
Park Lane won the sixth game of the series with Rosalyn yesterday taking the long end of a 4 to 2 score.

DAVIS AT THIRD BASE.
Like Davis, a fizzle at short with the Griffs, is leading off for Joe Cantillon's Minneapolis. Here and playing third base in smooth fashion.

NAVY YARD WILL TACKLE SOUTHERN RAILWAY TEAM

Still another red-hot battle is expected today in the race for the District sandlot baseball title and The Washington Times Cup. Southern Railway meets Navy Yard in the second round engagement and the fans, encouraged by the recent showing of the Navy Yard lads, are picking them to reverse the score on Southern today.

In the last engagement between the teams Walter Beall, the railroad flinger, pitched the game of his life, upset the dope, and landed a 3 to 1 victory for the Southern men. Navy Yard means to come through today as the Southeast players see a possible win of the title series and a slice at the intercity "gate."

Today either Beall or Vernstein will go to the hillock for the Southern men. Humphrey or Sterner will pitch for Navy Yard.

There is going to be considerable manipulating when it comes to pitching of the four clubs will get the real test during the next few days and from appearance the team that has the best corps of flingers will be able to come through.

Navy and will be up against it as Bucher was worked Tuesday. Today's game finds either Humphrey or Sterner available. Tomorrow the Navy Yard men must go right back again to face the War Risk team. Next week the War Risk pitchers will be up against it as War Risk is scheduled to play Naval Operations on Monday and Southern on Tuesday. Naval Operations has the Saturday game with Southern, the Monday battle with War Risk and the Wednesday contest of next week with Navy Yard.

It is going to be up to the hurlers without a doubt and the team that has the pitchers to stand the gaff is likely to cop the honors.

Robert E. Doyle, of the District Association, journeys to Richmond on Sunday in behalf of the winner of the city title here to make arrangements for the inter-city contests with the Richmond winner.

Doyle has been instructed to turn down the offer of the Richmond Association as to the paying of expenses beyond first base, and it looked like a walkover for the War Riskers until the seventh, when Pfeil was touched up freely.

The Operators failed to make an impression on Pfeil for five innings. Until Houlihan cracked a double in the fifth, only two hits had been made off Pfeil and but sixteen batters had faced him. None of the Operators had gotten beyond first base, and it looked like a walkover for the War Riskers until the seventh, when Pfeil was touched up freely.

War Risk is away out in front today, although a triple tie exists for second place. The first half of the series is completed as far as games are concerned, and the War Riskers have defeated Operations, Navy Yard, and Southern.

Yesterday's contest with Naval Operations proved to be just the sort of hair-raiser that the others have been, and War Risk came through with a 7-to-5 win.

Lem Owen essayed to start the box work for the Temperamental Operators, and that's what he was—too temperamental. He walked three, uncorrupted a wild pitch and pulled a throw to the plate when no one came home. Hereafter two runs in the opener for War Risk.

In the next inning Owen was plainly off color, and after three solid whiffs, registered, which included a double, Ed Kelly went to the rescue.

The Operators might have won had Kelly started, as he got along nicely enough, allowing but two runs during the eight and two-thirds innings that remained. But War Risk had gotten a fancy start, and all the hitting and baserunning the indulged in thereafter by the Operators failed to measure up to the collection of runs scored by War Risk.

Two players stood out head and shoulders above the others yesterday. Tommy Degnan, the chubby third-sacker of the Operators, had a first-class day, as did "Bronx" Howard, of War Risk.

Degnan had one error charged against him, but stabbed a line drive of Jarboe's that was ticketed for a single, made two fine plays at third on runners, and crashed a single and double out of four times up. His double was one of the longest drives seen in the series. There were two on and it required a perfect relay from Fitzgerald to Bleier to Fecs to get Degnan at third.

Howard, did some fancy work

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By Tad

Penny Ante

LADIES' NIGHT.

By Jean Knott



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"OH, THEY'RE LIARS," SHOUTS BOSS GRIFFITH

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL.
PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 4.—"Oh, they're liars," Clark Griffith thus expressed himself in regard to the statement given out by Harry Frazee, president of the Boston Red Sox, and Col. T. L. Huston, half owner of the New York Yankees, in which Griffith is strongly denounced for supporting President Johnson in his stand in the Carl Mays case.

Frazee and Huston score Griffith for repudiating an interview which they claim was given out by Comiskey, Frazee, and Griffith last August and which strongly criticized Johnson. The Boston and New York magnates also hinted in their statement that Griffith was supporting Johnson now because the league president extended an unauthorized loan of \$30,000 to the Washington club last winter.

Huston confined his attack on Griffith to the Lavan case. The colonel declares that Lavan forced his transfer from the Griffs to the St. Louis Cardinals last spring and claims that the cases of Lavan and Mays are parallel.

Then Griffith shouted.
"Oh, they're liars," Griffith shouted, when told of the statement.
"They're only trying to get an alibi; there is absolutely no comparison between the Lavan and Mays cases. Lavan was never under contract with the Washington club, and he told me before the season started that he would never play ball again. The St. Louis National League club offered me \$10,000 for Lavan and was willing to take a chance of him playing."

Griffith allowed only one hit in the first four innings. He weakened in the fifth and permitted two runs and three hits then Shaw stepped in.

Sam Rice had a field day with three hits, one a double, a stolen base and two runs. Menosky and Gharitty also contributed a pair of bingles.

George Burns still hopes to get his first base job back, but from the way Dick Burris is slugging the ball and playing the bag, it looks as if Gavage were sentenced to the outfield for life.

Rice's error was responsible for the third Mack tally. He let Burns' single get away from him and Thomas scored from first.

Griffith, however, denies that the loan was made, said Griffith, "the action was sanctioned by the league officials. Only one person at the meeting asked that our board of directors should endorse the note. This wasn't necessary, so Ban Johnson gave us the check for the amount. As for the statement that Johnson has renewed it without authority, why it wasn't necessary to renew the note as there was no time limit."

But there is an argument concerning the case of the Griffiths vs. the Athletics at Shibe Park yesterday. Griffith won that case 4-3, and there will be no more verbal battles about it. There were to be two cases settled at Shibe home, but the first was postponed on account of rain. Two cases will be disputed today.

Griffith used Gill to get the decision over the Athletics, but later big Jim Shaw had to be called from the bench to work before the jury. There were just a few more spectators than the regulation number of jurymen. It's a safe bet there weren't more than 100 cash customers at the pastime.

Jingling Johnson, Mack's spitball artist, essayed to get the second straight over the Griffs, but Mike Menosky's single in the sixth drove Rice over the plate with the winning run after Samuel had doubled.

Collected Ten Hits.
The Griffiths collected ten clean smashes off Johnson, while Shaw and Gill were picked for nine.

Joe Dugan, the Philadelphia shortstop, is through for the rest of the season and maybe for all time. Mack is tired of the New Haven boy taking a vacation whenever he wants one. On Tuesday Dugan left without

IN WHICH ANOTHER WORM FINALLY TURNS AND WINS

WASHINGTON	PHILADELPHIA
Judge, 1b., 4 7 1	Burns, 1b., 4 3 1
Davidson, 2b., 1 1 1	Willie, 2b., 1 1 1
Murphy, 3b., 0 0 0	Walker, 3b., 1 1 1
Rice, 4b., 4 2 0	Burns, 4b., 2 1 1
Shaw, 5b., 4 2 0	Burns, 5b., 4 2 0
Menosky, 6b., 4 2 0	Menosky, 6b., 4 2 0
Shaw, 7b., 4 2 0	Shaw, 7b., 4 2 0
Gharitty, 8b., 4 2 0	Gharitty, 8b., 4 2 0
Shaw, 9b., 4 2 0	Shaw, 9b., 4 2 0
Total, 34 10 7 1	Total, 33 9 7 14

Washington, 5 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Philadelphia, 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Total, 5 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Griffith, 1b., 4 2 0
Shaw, 2b., 1 1 1
Walker, 3b., 1 1 1
Burns, 4b., 2 1 1
Menosky, 5b., 4 2 0
Shaw, 6b., 4 2 0
Gharitty, 7b., 4 2 0
Shaw, 8b., 4 2 0
Shaw, 9b., 4 2 0
Total, 34 10 7 1
Winning pitcher—Gill.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	77	42	.645
Cleveland	76	43	.638
Detroit	68	50	.578
Pittsburgh	67	51	.568
St. Louis	65	53	.550
Boston	65	53	.550
Philadelphia	61	57	.517

YESTERDAY'S GAMES
Washington, 4; Philadelphia, 1.
St. Louis, 5; Cleveland, 2.
New York at Boston (rain).

TODAY'S GAMES
Washington at Philadelphia.

NATIONAL	Won	Lost	Pct.
Cincinnati	73	42	.635
New York	72	43	.625
Chicago	67	51	.568
Pittsburgh	67	51	.568
Brooklyn	67	51	.568
St. Louis	65	53	.550
Philadelphia	61	57	.517

YESTERDAY'S GAMES
Cincinnati, 8; Chicago, 1.
Other games postponed (rain).

TODAY'S GAMES
Brooklyn at New York.
Philadelphia at Boston.

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